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Fw: KUC mine bonding

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Dear Paul:

My understanding is that KUC's Bingham Mine has no monetary value attached to its bond, for the current pit and the expansion. The magnitude of this project is nearly unprecedented particularly in an urban area. The citizenry's concern is that Utahns may be left with a huge reclamation cost for years to come.

I need at this time your documentation of any commitments from KUC in writing that addresses all environmental issues regarding air, surface and ground waters, and surface reclamation. Also include the approximate dollar amounts associated with the department's estimates of the costs of all areas.

Additionally I need the department's current estimate of some

type of contingency fund committed to by KUC for unforeseen circumstances in the near- and long-terms for which KUC will be liable. For example recent detonations appear to have caused seismic damage to homes near the pit. It is highly likely that the magnitude of the detonations for a massive expansion cause seismic waves downward and outward from the site. The concern is not only nearby community residents but the effect on the aquifers nearby. Additionally the overburden walls at the base of the mine are likely affected.

Let me know how I can access these documents and thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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